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Dear [redacted]

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I believe that we have taken the necessary action here to insure that the construction of any radio transmitter on Okinawa by IAC agencies will be coordinated with us and with CIA. I believe I have already advised you that the Director addressed a memorandum to the Executive Secretary, National Security Council, stating our position on any Voice of America activities. This memorandum was referred by the Executive Secretary, National Security Council, to the Secretary of State. [redacted] has attended one conference on this subject and we feel reasonably sure that any such project will be thoroughly coordinated with us.

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I trust that several days ago HYKOM received the cable dispatched by the Civil Affairs Division, Department of the Army, directing them to coordinate any local broadcast activities. The cable was dispatched in essentially the same form that I advised you in recent correspondence.

This letter is prompted by receipt here of a State Department cable from Nanking making certain recommendations for China communications in view of the rapidly deteriorating situation in that area. In this cable the possibility of installing China network equipment on Okinawa to maintain communications and blind broadcasts with all possible China Posts is mentioned. In view of our previous dealings with the State Department concerning the construction of radio transmitters on Okinawa, I do not think they will undertake such a project without coordination. However, I should like for you to continue to be alert for any radio broadcast projects on the Island and to advise us if any such activities are noted.

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[redacted] Sincerely,

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